



In re ~~Application~~ of:

Group Art Unit: 1637

Examiner: Jeffrey N. Fredman

Confirmation No.: 2284

**Sir:**

Applicants reply to the Office Action mailed July 15, 2005 ("Office Action"), the period for response having been extended to December 15, 2005, by a request for extension of two months and fee payment filed concurrently herewith. Applicants request that the Office consider the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** follow the amendment sections of this paper.